



## Up to the Minute SPORTING NEWS From Everywhere.



BY "CLUG"

### LOSE TO TIGERS

Topeka Savages Drop a Good Game to Lincoln.

Denver Bears Take Berth of the League Leaders.

Lincoln, Neb., May 8.—Two days of rest proved disastrous to the Topeka league leaders and McIntyre's Tigers walloped them Friday afternoon by the score of 4 to 0. Both teams played good ball. The Savages made five hits to the home team's four and the visitors made three errors while the breaks were with the Tigers and every hit they got was made to count.

The Tigers took the lead in the first frame. Grover walked Wolfe, and McGaffigan sacrificed him to second. Williams, the next man at bat, drove a two-bagger into Right Fielder Mayer's territory and scored Wolfe. Mayer made a bad error on Williams' fly and the latter scored before the ball was thrown in.

Again in the second a sacrifice and two singles scored a run for Lincoln. In the eighth, Wolfe scored the last run of the game, having been hit and given free transportation to first.

Three times the Savages got a man as far as third base, but every time were cut down. Friday night Owner Savage gave Pitcher Cann his unconditional release. The score and summary of Friday's game:

**TOPEKA.**

Player	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Wolfe, H.	3	0	1	3	0	0
McGaffigan, M.	3	0	1	3	0	0
Williams, H.	4	1	1	5	0	0
McIntyre, H.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Daley, B.	3	0	0	1	2	1
Schreiber, C.	2	1	1	0	0	0
Krueger, B.	0	0	0	0	0	0
McAllister, C.	3	0	1	10	0	0
Dawson, J.	3	0	0	2	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>

**TOPEKA.**

Player	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Cochran, B.	3	0	1	0	0	0
Trainer, H.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Jackson, C.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Mayer, H.	4	0	1	2	1	1
Harris, H.	4	0	1	2	1	1
Lattimore, B.	2	0	1	1	0	0
Roche, H.	4	0	1	4	0	0
Monroe, C.	4	0	0	2	0	0
Grover, P.	3	0	0	1	2	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>

Score by innings:

Inning	Topeka	Lincoln
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
5	0	0
6	0	0
7	0	0
8	0	4
9	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>

Summary: Two-base hits—Williams, McGaffigan, Lattimore. Double plays—Daley, McGaffigan and Williams; McGaffigan, Daley and Williams. Stolen bases—Cochran, Lattimore, Roche. Sacrifice hits—McGaffigan, Williams, Lattimore, Dawson, 10; by Grover, 5. Bases on balls—4; off Grover, 3. Umpires—Van Dick, H. H. H.

**Notes From Lincoln.**

After roosting in their hotel for two days on account of an over-supply of rain, the Topekans forgot just how they were when they returned to the clubhouse and with the assistance of Twirler Dawson of the Lincoln Tigers dropped the first game of the Lincoln-Topeka series here Friday.

Dawson was tight at all times, despite the fact that errors on the part of his teammates put him in hot water on two occasions. Grover pitched a neat game but bunched hits coupled with a bobble in the first round proved his undoing.

Dawson struck out three men in the third. Grover, Trainer and Jackson, Cochran singled in this round and stole second. He was stalled there.

Daley, Lincoln's new outfielder, made his bow to the Western League Friday. He batted from the column side. He has a good swing and was American Association club. He was obtained to cover the third corner, but Lloyd's enforced absence on account of a twisted ankle made it impossible for him to play. He was sent to the second base, kept Krueger on third and sent Heinie Schreiber back to his old place in center field.

The Savages threatened in the fourth. Mayer, first up, singled but was forced at second by Rapps. Lattimore doubled to the left field boards, Rapps going to third. Roche dumped the ball in front of the plate and McAllister got it in time to tag Rapps out between third and the plate. Roche went to second on the play but Monroe fanned.

The Savages were busy again in the sixth. Mayer reached first on Williams' error, but Rapps hit into a double play, Daley to McGaffigan and Williams. Lattimore walked and Roche singled. Lattimore went to second. A passed ball advanced both runners a notch but Monroe grounded out.

**Denver 4; Wichita 3.**—The first game of the season on the home grounds resulted in a victory for Denver over Wichita. Harrington, for Denver, weakened in the third and fourth innings, but tightened in time to save the game. Cochran, for Wichita, was hit safely when hits meant runs.

The score: R. H. E.  
Denver ..... 011 011 009—4 9 3  
Wichita ..... 001 100 100—3 8 2  
Batteries—Harrington and Spahr; Cochran and Griffith.

Summary: Stolen base—Dell. Two-base hit—Tydemann. Three-base hit—Fisher. Home runs—William, Rapp. Sacrifice fly—Spahr. Sacrifice hits—Cochran, Kelleher. Struck out—By Harrington, 6; by Cochran, 4. Bases on balls—Off Harrington, 1; off Cochran, 5. Double play—Rapp to Wares to Henry. Time—1:58. Umpires—Meyers and Parent.

**Des Moines 4; St. Joe 8.**—St. Joseph, Mo., May 8.—Both Vance and Thomas were hit hard Friday by the St. Joseph hits were bunched and the visitors lost, 8 to 4.

The score: R. H. E.  
Des Moines ..... 000 200 200—10 2  
St. Joseph ..... 202 030 018—8 11 2  
Batteries—Thomas and Breen; Vance and Agnew.

Summary: Three-base hit—Jones. Two-base hits—Fox, Britton, Hahn. Sacrifice hits—Watson, Agnew. Double play—Sawyer to Hartford to Jones. Bases on balls—Off Thomas, 4; off Vance, 2. Struck out—By Vance, 5; by Thomas, 3. Hit by pitcher—By Vance (Hahn, Shanley). Passed balls—Breen, 2. Umpire—Geisel.

**St. Louis City 2; Omaha 5.**

St. Louis City, Ia., May 8.—Omaha overcame a two-run lead taken by Sioux City in the opening inning, and won, Blodgett was effective in the pinches.

### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Western League.

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Denver	6	3	.667
Topeka	5	4	.556
Omaha	5	5	.500
Des Moines	5	6	.455
St. Joseph	5	7	.417
Sioux City	6	9	.400
Lincoln	3	8	.269

American League.

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Detroit	10	6	.625
Chicago	10	7	.588
Cleveland	12	9	.571
Boston	8	9	.471
Philadelphia	9	11	.450
St. Louis	6	16	.269

National League.

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Pittsburgh	13	5	.726
Chicago	12	7	.632
Boston	10	8	.556
Cincinnati	10	12	.455
Pittsburgh	8	12	.400
St. Paul	9	12	.429
New York	5	11	.312

Federal League.

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Pittsburgh	12	9	.571
Chicago	12	9	.571
Newark	12	9	.571
St. Paul	10	11	.476
Kansas City	10	11	.476
Baltimore	10	13	.435
Buffalo	7	14	.333

American Association.

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Indianapolis	12	7	.632
Louisville	14	7	.667
St. Paul	10	9	.526
Cleveland	10	10	.500
Minneapolis	7	14	.333
Kansas City	8	14	.364
Columbus	3	18	.143

winning his sixth straight game for Omaha. In addition to pitching a good game, Blodgett made a home run and a double.

The score: R. H. E.  
Omaha ..... 200 000 000—2 8 1  
Sioux City ..... 000 000 000—0 0 0  
Batteries—Clark, Gaspar and Crisp; Blodgett and Krueger.

Summary: Two-base hits—LeJue. McCormick, Krug, Crisp, Blodgett. Three-base hits—Whalen, Krug, Home run—Blodgett. Sacrifice hit—Smith. Stolen base—Krueger. Hits—Off Clark, 7 in 7 innings; off Gaspar, 2 in 2 innings. Bases on balls—Off Clark, 3; off Gaspar, 1; off Blodgett, 4. Struck out—By Clark, 1; by Blodgett, 4. Time—1:46. Umpire—Cusick.

### SPORT WHEEZES

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(By Clug.)

Where they play Sunday and Monday:

At Lincoln at Denver.  
Wichita at Lincoln.  
Sioux City at St. Joseph.  
Omaha at Des Moines.

And it might be said that all is not fluted that flutters.

The City league will be off with a double header tomorrow afternoon. Your presence at the park will be appreciated.

If Stallings didn't have any use for Cochran, he might at least have given him back to the original givers. Not that we can't get along without him, but we could use him all hunkydoodle.

According to the statement of a golf goods salesman, several months ago the British Isles had only 18 more golf courses than the United States. Since that time something like 36 new courses have been added on the American side. Which makes one ask, where is England's place on the greens?

The state trap shoot will begin next Monday at Pratt. Messrs. Springer and Wray of the Topeka Gun Club will leave Sunday and will face the traps Monday and Tuesday. Here's hoping they break many blue rocks and capture many silver pots.

Speaking of gun club shoots, members of the local powder burning associations are planning to hold a big invitation shoot in Topeka sometime in the near future. The dates have not been decided upon; but if it is held every effort will be made to make it the biggest thing of its kind Topeka ever had.

For a paltry sum members of the Shawnee golf club will enjoy the privileges that cost most country club members several hundred dollars. The primary object of the Shawnee club is to furnish facilities to people who cannot afford to join the Country club and who are not wealthy enough to own a private course.

Ball players, like other great men, are soon forgotten after they pass out of the focus of the little limelights. However, there may be a few who will be interested in knowing that Bolivar Kaufman is still with the Tacoma club of the Northwestern league.

You will have to hand it to these fight promoters with both hands. They are a shrewd lot. After stirring up all pugilism and getting the white race in a hole by having Johnson Heck Jeffries, they don't let the tangle get straight before they try to pull some more race prejudice stuff. But this time it is an Irishman and a Kanian instead of a white man and a negro.

It has been observed that race pride lends interest to a fight and that playing on nationalities against another helps along with the press agent stuff. Therefore, those who are boosting a match between Willard and Coffey are laying great stress upon the fact that Coffey is a Hibernian. They may get away with it, but it is extremely doubtful. Willard looks like he might have some Emerald blood in his own veins. And, besides, he is an American.

**St. Marys Wins Game.**

St. Marys, Kan., May 8.—St. Marys defeated the College of Emporia here Friday, 6 to 5. The feature of the game was a home run by Rodway and a spectacular infield play by Rodway. McCook held the visitors to four hits until the ninth.

Make outside surfaces weather resisting. Use Devco Lead-and-Zinc Paint. C. M. Hill & Son, 826 Kansas Ave.—Adv.

### LEAGUE AVERAGES

Figures Show Topeka Strength Lies in Her Pitchers.

Only Four Savages Are Hitting In 300 Class.

Western league averages for the season up to and including games of Tuesday, May 4, show Des Moines leading in club batting, Lincoln in individual batting with a hefty per cent of 500.

In individual pitching records, Bugs Grover and Mike Cann lead with a per cent of 1,000, having won every game they worked in. Ten other pitchers in the league also have the four figure per cent. In the individual batting Topeka has four players in the 300 class. They are: Jackson, 323; Monroe, 323; Roche, 305, and Lattimore, 303.

Averages at this season of the year count for very little. However, those printed below show two things conclusively. One of these is that Topeka is leading the league because of her good pitchers, rather than because of the batting and fielding ability of her players. In club fielding Topeka is fourth and in club batting fifth.

The other thing that the averages show is that Lincoln is occupying a cellar position because she has a weak string of pitchers. In club fielding Lincoln leads the league with a per cent of .967, and in club batting she is third. Denver's club batting is weak and her club fielding is nothing to brag about, but her pitching staff is good. The averages in detail are as follows:

**Club Batting.**

Club	W. L. AB	R	H	SH	SB	Pct.
Des Moines	2	3	385	48	15	.341
Omaha	7	3	336	54	22	.264
Lincoln	2	2	258	48	16	.431
Wichita	2	2	244	41	12	.358
Wichita	5	5	323	35	11	.259
Denver	3	3	302	35	12	.248
St. Joseph	4	4	241	25	7	.209
Sioux City	3	3	277	31	8	.225

**Club Fielding.**

Club	W. L. AB	R	H	SH	SB	Pct.
Lincoln	2	2	278	137	14	.967
Des Moines	2	2	322	169	16	.961
Wichita	2	2	244	125	14	.954
Denver	2	2	255	132	19	.950
TOPEKA	2	2	273	107	23	.943
Cochran	2	2	242	125	13	.943
Omaha	7	7	179	132	22	.933
St. Joseph	4	4	270	154	32	.930

**Individual Batting.**

Club Batting.								
Clubs—	W.	L.	AB.	R.	H.	SH.	SB.	Pct.
Des Moines	7	5	395	68	107	16	15	.271
Omaha	7	3	336	54	89	22	14	.264
Lincoln	2	8	308	48	96	16	4	.261